

**AGENCY REQUEST FOR
A/E SELECTION COMMITTEE ACTION
February 2021**

AGENCY: Wisconsin Historical Society (WHS)

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LOCATION: Villa Louis Historic Site, City of Prairie du Chien, Crawford County

PROJECT REQUEST:

Request the services of a professional Architectural and Engineering (A/E) design firm to provide design through construction administration services for Phase II of the Villa Louis Mansion Walkway Replacement project in accordance with the DFDM Consultant Policy & Procedure Manual.

PROJECT NUMBER: 20L1T

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This project includes the replacement of existing limestone paver terraces and brick walkways around the Villa Louis mansion and related buildings including related landscaping and drainage renovation work. The mansion is a National Historic Landmark and is located in a culturally sensitive area, and preservation of historic artifacts and structures is a priority.

The proposed work completes a paving project currently underway. The first phase project, 18F1E, will finish up in the Spring of 2021. The design services for 18F1E included a study of all the paved walks that are in need of replacement, a masterplan layout for the needed work, and a cost estimate for all phases of work. This second phase of construction was budgeted based on that study.

The mansion complex is a National Historic Landmark and is in a culturally sensitive area. The preservation of all historic artifacts and structures is a priority. The project requires review and approval by the State Historic Preservation Office.

JUSTIFICATION:

The current walkways serving the mansion complex create safety hazards to visitors and staff. The uneven surface and deteriorated limestone pose a continuous tripping hazard. With many visitors being elderly or families with small children this needs to be corrected. Compliance with ADA requirements should also be addressed and coordinated with historic preservation concerns as appropriate.

BUDGET/SCHEDULE:

Construction	
Design	
DFDM Mgt	
Contingency	
Equipment	
Other Fees	
TOTAL	\$942,000

A/E Selection	Feb 2021
Design Report	Jun 2021
SBC Approval	Aug 2021
Bid Opening	Dec 2021
Start Construction	May 2022
Substantial Completion	Oct 2022
Final Completion	Nov 2022